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## Maynard Ferguson Answers Questions

What's it like to do something you had originally thought would be impossible? Is it a feeling of satisfaction? of personal accomplishment? The answer to all these questions could have to be "yes". (At least in my case it was.) After managing to get an interview with Maynard Ferguson, following his performance here, I can only describe my mental state as wildly ecstatic.

Through different comments that I managed to catch here and there, I came to with the conclusion that Maynard and his band thought they were coming to a "hick town". This could have been disastrous. Since the band does so many concerts, their thinking that MN was a "hick town" could have hindered them from giving a smashing performance. Afraid that I wouldn't be able to get an interview afterwards, I tried to get an interview before the performance, but to such luck. Thinking things would go as planned, I wound up waiting an hour while Maynard warmed up in another room. I ran to my seat and prayed everything would turn out great.

**First Time for 2nd Encore**  
Unbelievably enough the concert went great. For the first time in Maynard's history, they did a second encore. Never before had they done a number following "Hey, Jude!" But, good ole' Marple Newtown, hick town that we are—we did it!

Right before the performance I ran backstage in the hopes of asking Maynard at least a few questions. However, I was informed that I couldn't have an interview until after the performance. So, as soon as the performance was over I ran backstage and waited.



After waiting about 15 minutes outside the exit door, I was allowed to wait inside until everybody was gone. I walked in, and there sat Maynard Ferguson smiling with a mile-long line of fans in front of him.

I sat down on a chair and began talking to Pete Jackson, the piano player. Along came Randy Jones, their drummer, who sat down and joined in the conversation. I was so amazed at how nice they were. We talked for quite awhile; then after pleading with Mr. Ferguson's manager, I finally got my interview:

"How long have you been a band leader?"

"Since I was 16 years

old except for ten years when I played with a few other groups including Stan Kenton's, Charlie Barnet's, and Jim Dorsey's."

"Have you always had a large group?"

"Yes, except on a few occasions."

"How do you select the line-up men for your group?"

"Basically from here—say, usually someone in the group will tell me they've seen about some guy and I'll check him out. I'll try to see if he's got the idea where ever the he wants to be there."

"I like musicians, then I'll check him out."

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## Shakespeare Comes to MN Stage

Get your tickets early for the Sophomore Class presentation of Shakespeare's remarkable comedy Twelfth Night. This exuberant specimen of dancy dialog, liltling lyrics and petulant perversion will be staged only twice, on March 9 and 10 in the high school auditorium.

Although Shakespeare is better known by many for his more tragic episodes, Twelfth Night has been considered by scores of notable critics to be "the high water mark of a brilliant career," "a remarkable and timeless contribution to literature of all ages," and "one heck of a lot of dog-gone fun."

Two identical twins, a boy and a girl, are shipwrecked off the coast of southern Italy. Both come to land at different times and different places. The girl, Viola, disguises herself as a boy and goes into the service of the Duke of Orsino, who knows her as Cesario. Orsino sends Cesario to press his suit with a wealthy countess, and then the trouble begins.

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## Discussion Panel at MN

"Everything you Always Wanted to Know about Marple Newtown, but were Afraid to Ask" will be the topic of a panel discussion at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 8.

The purpose is to discuss what improvements are needed in education, what current educators are suggesting, and how these suggestions can be applied to Marple Newtown.

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## THE TIGER'S



## EYE

News item: The MN School Board has decided that graduation will be held at St. Joseph's. Steps will be taken to prevent the collapse of the bleachers.

One wonders...

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"You've come to the right place, sir. Where are they?"

"St. Joseph's Fieldhouse."

"You mean the St. Joe's Jumpers? I'm sorry, sir, but the union there is too tough for anyone to take that job. No way."

"Union?" Which union?"

"Troop of Ever-Ready Minions of Insipient Timber Eaters."

A meeting is hastily called to deal with the new problem. A tough negotiator is hired to bargain with this powerful union.

In a few days a meeting is held between our darling negotiator and the president of TERMITE, Terrible Ted.

"We are prepared to of-

fer you one hundred pounds of stale pretzels, a male librarian, and three substitute teachers if you will agree not to eat the bleachers until our graduation ceremonies are over. No? What if we throw in an out of tune tuba and a deflated soccer ball? The president of Student Council, the head of MNBC, and the editors of Mar News?"

"It's a deal on one condition. Those last four you mentioned—we don't want them. Just lock them in a glass-walled room for a week. We want to watch the fun."

The Board gathered for a caucus. They were insistent. The price was just too exorbitant. Discussion was given over to the consequences of not signing a pact.

"Just think. Those bleachers will be full of parents and students. If it falls it will help us reduce overcrowding in the school; the now abandoned homes and yards can be transformed into municipal parks; the troublemaking elements of the community can be silenced through careful seating plans. I say the advantages of such an event vastly outweigh any possible disadvantage."

"Any other suggestion?" A weak voice back in the corner muttered, "Harry Harvey Football Field."

MY MARK



## Antigone Moves to State Competition

Marple Newtown's Performance Group received the second place award for its original Production of Antigone at the Pennsylvania Speech League Regional Drama Competition held at Bloomsburg State College on February 17. First place was awarded to an ensemble-theatre, student-directed production of Thorton Wilder's Pullman Car Hiawatha, entered by a Harrisburg High School.

Antigone is an "original creative collection" product of the efforts of the Performance Group, un-

der the direction of English teacher Jan T. Kubicki. The second place ranking entitles the Performance Group to compete in the State competition, to be held in April at Penn State University. When asked about the ranking of first place Mr. Kubicki said, "This goes to show that the Performance Group influence is spreading because other schools are copying us". The judges made constructive criticism which is why the Performance Group will make extensive changes in Antigone before State Competition.

## Letter to the Editors:

### What is the

### Meaning of Respect?

Dear Editor,

Recently I read the article in the February 16 issue of Mar News which quoted Dr. Sauers as saying that disrespect towards teachers will not be tolerated. I wonder what the good Doctor considers to be disrespect. Is it wrong to argue with a teacher just because he is a teacher? If a student disagrees with a teacher vehemently, is it disrespect or is it standing up for what one believes in?

When a teacher calls a student a name, does the student have the right to

call the teacher a name in return? Of course this is childish, but isn't it childish if a teacher can not cope with a class and is prompted to insult the students?

Isn't it time that teachers, not just students, take a serious look at what respect and disrespect is all about? In a student-teacher relationship, the respect that a student holds for a teacher should be equal to the respect that the teacher holds for the student. A student should not respect a teacher out of fear, but out of friendship.

It's about time that students, teachers, and administrators take a look at themselves. We are all in school to learn from each other and the relationships between us are significant in the effectiveness of the learning experience.

Michael Spear

## Math Records Cited

MN's Mu Alpha Theta Math Teams have respectable records this year. The Varsity is 3-2; and the Junior Varsity is 3-1.

On February 14 MN met Penncrest. The Varsity won 38-29; and the Junior Varsity also won. There will be three more meets this year; the next one is away at Nether Providence.

The team, sponsored by Miss Lewis and Mr. Esch, compete once a month. Three of the seven or eight members of each team compete at a time. They race against the other team and the clock in attempting to answer questions on all facets of mathematics.

## Juniors Take "Long and Winding Road"

Juniors can look forward to an enjoyable prom to be held at the Treadway Inn on April twenty-first.

A junior class vote selected "A Long and Winding Road" as this year's theme.

The prom committee is interviewing groups and is seriously thinking of hiring the group "Gratis."

A turkey dinner will be served.

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## MN Welcomes Immigrant

Haik Kharadjian may be a hard name to pronounce to you, but it has much more significance to a 16 year old Armenian immigrant here who goes by that name. Haik is now a sophomore at MN, after living in the Armenian Soviet Socialist Republic of the USSR all his life.

Haik speaks Armenian, his native language, and Russian, which is also spoken in Armenia since Armenia is part of USSR. He is being tutored in English at Loomis School. Steve Sarian, Jeff Shandler, and Aron Wolf, all Russian three students, have been translating for him and helping him around at MN since he arrived. Haik's impressions of the U.S. are superlative. He says that if everyone in Armenia had the opportunity to see the U.S., they would all pack up and leave Armenia. Haik himself waited 5 years for the Russian government to grant him his exit visa, after receiving an invitation from his aunt to come here (an invitation is a necessary prerequisite for getting Russian exit). After leaving the USSR, he lived in Rome for a month, then came to live here. One of things that is new to Haik is the short skirt, an institution so common to American girls and girlwatchers but lacking in the USSR. Haik played soccer in Armenia, and is looking forward to playing here at MN as well.

## Earn Money in Your Spare Time

Recently I have been hearing stories about a student in a neighboring school district. It seems he had a very unusual system of making money, but he was not able to enjoy his wealth for long.

It all started with T.I.P., Turn in/ Pushers. He began by turning in a few people whom he thought the school could do without. A very comfortable business relationship was set-up. He was given a code-name to protect his anonymity, and was paid anywhere from \$100 to \$500 for each pusher he turned in that was convicted.

Well, it wasn't long until the smell of money began to affect him. What better way was there to make some easy money. So in order to get definite convictions, he started planting incriminating evidence in the lockers of his victims.

## FHCC Helps Out

Handicapped children at the St. Edmund's orphanage in Bryn Mawr enjoyed a party given by MN's Future Health Careers Club. The children enjoyed the friendliness and kindness shown by the club.

Some tentative plans for the future include trips to Booth Maternity hospital and Lankenau Hospital. These different activities provide great opportunities to explore the expanding health fields.

Systematically, he went through the school rosters, checking off students one by one as they disappeared from school as a result of his efforts.

The monetary rewards began to add up. Most of it went to buying more "evidence," most of which he used himself. Over the course of about seven months he had collected over \$400,000. Now there was nobody left, nobody but him in the whole school. Everybody else had been turned in.

He decided to sit back and take it easy with all his money and "evidence." However, school authorities soon became suspicious of only one person being in school. So it wasn't long until this person was found out and turned himself in.

I was told this was a true story. Of this I'm not sure, but I can say one thing. Small business men have it rough.

Jolly Coachman

## Debate Team Tourney Held

Unlike other schools' teams, the M.N. Debate Team is in action all year. This year, the debating topic is whether the federal government should exclusively finance public education or not. The faculty advisor of the team is Mr. Boettjer; this year's co-captains are Barbara Edwards and John Marcarelli.

The District Tournament of the Pennsylvania High School speech League was held on the 24th of February. Scott Swiren and John Marcarelli were the affirmative team and Barbara Edwards and Virginia Breakfield made up the negative team for MN at the District debates at Radnor High School.

Another debate tournament will be held here at Marple Newtown on March 8. Students will be needed as timekeepers since there will be so many debates going on at once.

## Ferguson Comes to MN

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they try out might be very nervous, might have turned out to be sensational for the group. So that's why I try to stay away from auditions."

"What is the average time a musician works for you?"

"The longest is 5 yrs. from this particular band, and that's Pete Jackson,

"Where do you perform next?"

"We play at a club in Cheswick Pa. this weekend. In awhile we're heading out west."

"Are all the guys from England?"

"No, most of the guys are, but three of the members are from the U.S. One member is from Australia. Oh! Lin Biviano, our lead trumpet player is from Upper Darby. That's your backyard."

"Do you prefer older or younger audiences?"

"I'm forced to say younger audiences, because they enjoy our music more. I really like it when a family comes to hear us. The young people like it because it contains a lot of music from today. The older people like it because it's got a touch of the "big band" sound. But, they want mostly "big band", and that's not us. I'm also really amazed at how much young people know about music and the quality of their music."

"What are your comments on 'hard rock' or classical music?"

"I like all kinds of music. There isn't really too much to say about it. People say that they don't understand certain types of music. But what's there to understand? There are no words. Vibrations are made when somebody plays an instrument. The sounds come to your ears and either you say "yeh!" or "Neh!" You either like it or you don't. And with that Mr. Maynard Ferguson turned away to supervise his band taking down their equipment for their next gig.

Joy Karavassily

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## International Weekend Planned

Exciting events are currently being planned by the International Exchange Club. The highlight of the year, International Exchange Weekend, is scheduled for the weekend of April 12. Girls from Brazil, Argentina, Australia, France, Switzerland, Sweden, Africa, New Zealand, and England will be present. A dinner at the school will be served to them upon their arrival on the 12th. On Friday, the 13th, they will be touring the school and visiting various classes. Saturday will be free, and there will be a party at night to culminate an exciting weekend. The visitors will be rooming with members of the exchange club as well as other students from the school.

Bev MacAdam and Marie Constance will be MN's representatives abroad next year. Bev will be visiting Europe while Marie will be in South America.

## PYE Petition Sent to DELCO Commissioners

A petition urging the recycling of solid wastes was approved by MN's Protect Your Environment Club. Although final authority on the matter rests with the Delaware County Commissioners, PYE feels that citizen participation can make a difference in the decision. Petitions are now being circulated throughout the community.

PYE has divided into eight committees to deal with ecological concerns. The committees are titled: Energy, Air, Population, Land Use, Natural Beauty and Recreation, Wildlife, Water, and Solid Wastes.

Headed by Mrs. Schmidt and Steve Becker, PYE holds monthly glass reclamations and contributes to paper collections. They are now discussing "ecology education" for grade school students.

# Twelfth Night to be Staged



## Letter to the Editors:

Dear Editors,

The current fuel shortage is an issue which is constantly in the news. This shortage should not come as a surprise to the people of the United States. It is a consequence we have brought upon ourselves and we must pay for it.

How could one expect our fuel supplies to last for a long period of time considering the present consumption rate? Surely it must have occurred to us at one time or another that our society is too liberal with its use of fuel.

Changes are needed, and they can begin at home. Look at our own school building for example. We have all seen doors open while the boilers are running constantly in efforts to maintain temperatures in the 70's. Or how often have you opened a window instead of lowering the thermostat reading when a room is too hot?

These are only a few examples of minor instances but it is all these small things which create a large heating bill. We in America must change our ways if we are to reverse this current trend. We must act now-tomorrow may be too late.

Concerned Student

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Students Sharon Lawrence, David Moldoff, and Sue Shockley have been named panel members. Dr. Vincent J. Sauers, principal, and Assistant Principals James Schafer and James Best have been selected as members of the panel of administrators.

Scott Searfoss, Judy Smith, Edna Robbins, Frank Ostroff and Mary Norton will act as student reactors. They will discuss ideas presented with a panel of parents of reactors. Questions from the floor will be welcomed.

Discussion moderator will be Mrs. Timko, president of PTO. The discussion is sponsored by the Senior High Parent Teacher Organization. Mrs. Miriam Bedein is the faculty coordinator, Helen Strain, student coordinator, and Mrs. Cindy Cratl, parent coordinator.

The Mar News would like to correct some misinformation printed in our last issue concerning Twelfth Night. Shakespeare has previously been performed on the MN stage in the form of Romeo and Juliet and Dead. Our apologies.

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The merry mixups which occur make the play hilariously entertaining. Notable comic additions to the plot are Olivia's uncle, Sir Toby Belch; Sir Andrew Aguecheek, and Malvolio the steward.

The direction of Twelfth Night is in the capable hands of the inimitable Henry E. Fetterman, who, backed by a fine cast, devotes nights and Saturdays to take charge of vigorous rehearsals. Leading characters in the play are portrayed by Jim Rodman, Darlene Alberici, Jay Hershorn, Bob Hull, Michelle Gore, Ira Schultz, Dave Meltzer, and Joe Noce as "Sir Toby Belch". Others in the play include: Jenny Graf, Peter Anderson, Moury Furlong, Annette Winter, Linda Famiglio, Jean Dever, Karen Decker, Terry Hurtt, Michelle Abandon, Chris Hope, and Brad Walters, is the production manager, and Pam Monaco and Karen Hendricks are the student directors.

The production is being presented in original and unedited Shakespearean form; every aspect of set, typify the Elizabethan era during which the play was first produced. A chamber music orchestra will provide authentic sounds of the time.

Tickets will be sold in the cafeteria and at the door. Get your tickets early. Twelfth Night is sure to be a hit.

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## Mr. Sanner Named

### Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Glenn M. Sanner was unanimously appointed substitute superintendent for next school year at the May 19 school board meeting. At present Mr. Sanner is the Assistant Superintendent of Marple Newtown. In other board action, school calendar for the 1974-1975 school year was approved. There are 183 days of school for pupils scheduled for the next school year.

Tuition was waived for students attending Marple Newtown schools. Two of the students are from earthquake-stricken Managua, Nicaragua.

Board president Muroff congratulated Dr. Stover for being selected as "Man of the Year" by the Republican Party of Marple.

Senator Hugh Scott (R) was guest speaker at recent dinner at which

Dr. Stover was awarded this honor. Dr. Stover remarked, "I was very surprised that I was selected since I have never been active in politics."

During the question-answer period, Mr. Martinez, in response to a question, said, "We are making steady progress in the protection of audio-visual equipment. We will label (in secret places) and identify all equipment to deter stealing of these machines."

A note about the last school board meeting, John H. Grant was sworn in as a school board member to replace Mrs. Miller because of her resignation.

The next regular public meeting of the Marple Newtown school board for Monday, March 19, 1973 at 8 p.m. in the board room of the Senior High School.

## Interboro Judges MN Hi-Q Team

MN's Hi-Q team traveled to St. James in Chester February 22 to compete with James and Interboro. Starters were George Jackson, Frank Ostroff, Tom Westad, and Susan Manoff, facing Linda Alle.

Interboro was the higher for the afternoon 22; MN scored 21; St. James 8.

Mr. John Metka, team sponsor, said that the team need an extremely high score in their last meet Penncrest and Cardinal on March 20 to make the playoffs.

## Names in the News

Congratulations to the 1973 National Merit Scholarship Finalists:

Linda Alle  
Harris Band  
James Chung  
Thomas Heggstad  
George Jakubson  
Susan Manoff  
Janet Morgan  
Frank Ostroff  
Janet Rea  
Janice Stover

## MN Band

### Hoagie Day

### is a Success

This past weekend MN was flooded with hoagies made by the MN band and band association. Starting at 4:00 A.M. Saturday morning, dedicated workers put together over 5,000 hoagies in 7 hours. Band members came to the school cafeteria and picked up orders to deliver to their neighbors. 40 was the average number of hoagies sold by one person, but some band members exceeded orders of 100 hoagies.

The Hoagie Day project

drew the band \$3,000 closer to their goal of \$20,000. This money is needed for its trip to the Virginia Beach Music Festival in June. The band has won awards in competition there for three years.

This year's band with about 60 more members than last year surpassed last year's results by over \$1,000. In hopes of doing well again, the band has scheduled a second hoagie day for later this year. They'll get to Virginia Beach yet.

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Neil Kovnat (9) rejoices after goal by Bobby Burns.

## Skaters Win With Six in One Half a Dozen in the Other

Marple Newtown secured second place in the Inter-County Scholastic Hockey League's Eastern division chilling Malvern 6 to 1. Steve Petrison and Chuck Gross scored goals which came thirteen seconds apart in the first period. Bob Burns, Jim Lazzarotti, Scott Borbidge, and Bob Stanton added goals in the second period.

The Tigers continued their winning ways by de-

feating St. James, 6-3, on February 17. Tim Kerrigan began the scoring with an unassisted goal with 3:55 left in the first period.

Second period action saw goals by Bob "Meatball" Mattarano, Burns, and Petrison. Kerrigan came through with his second goal of the game in the last period followed by Scott Borbidge's unassisted tally, which ended Marple's scoring.

### Annual Hockey Extravaganza

## Faculty Will Try Again

The Marple-Newtown Skating Tigers will take on our high school's faculty on Thursday evening, March 8 at 8:00 P.M. at Radnor Rink. Playing for the teachers will be such stars as: Mr. Bouni, Mr. Scott, Mr. Green and Mr. Hadavas. Dave MacEwan of Blue Line Hockey Club fame will defend the nets for the faculty while Derik Peltier and Jan Dalina will goal for the Hockey Team.

Some people criticize this traditional match-up as being futile from the faculty's point of view, since their record has been winless for the last three years. There may be room

for an upset this year, especially with the talent that this year's faculty squad presents. Surprisingly enough to some, this game may not be as much as a joke as they think. Faculty gladiators from past games have performed quite well, but even the ones who have had a hard time have exhibited exceptional good sportmanship.

This extravaganza will not only provide a good time for everyone, but it is an excellent excuse to get out on a Thursday night. Tickets can be obtained from any club member or purchased at the gate.

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# Try These Radnor Takes Crown

1) Which country won the gold medal in basketball in the 1972 Summer Olympics?

- Italy
- U.S.S.R.
- Cuba
- U.S.A.

2) The Kansas City Omaha Kings basketball team was formerly name the \_\_\_\_.

- Pittsburgh Condors
- San Diego Rockets
- Cincinnati Royals
- Miami Floridians

3) Who is the wrestling world's heavyweight champion?

- Bruno Sammartino
- Chief J. Strongbow
- Pedro Morales
- George (the Animal) Steele.

4) What college did O.J. Simpson and Tim Rossovich attend?

- U.C.L.A.
- T.C.U.
- U.S.C.
- V.M.I.

Answers: 1) b. 2) c. 3) c. 4) a.

## Wrestlers End Best Season

Marple Newtown wrestlers have ended the most successful season in their history. The final Varsity record was 7-4 and the J.V. record was 10-1-1. The team has to say good-bye to some outstanding wrestlers. They are Bob Melso, Bob Florio, Mike Campbell, Andy Duncan, Joe Turner, Dave Moldoff, and Ron Adelberg.

Hopefuls for next year are Steve Spear, Michael Schafer, George Dallas, Don Cornmann, Rusty Chisena, Ken Doyle, Mario Spoto, Jeffrey Davis, Jeff Weiss, Michael Bannon, George Buchser, Howard Lazarus, Dave Nocella, Jim Garner, Doug Miller, Brian Tolbert, Ken Glantz, and Jim Christaldi.

Mr. Wagner and Mr. Nathans, coaches of the team, are quite satisfied with their record and hope next season will be as rewarding as this one.

Lower Merion's pool was the scene for the 1973 Central League Swimming Championships, held on Saturday, February 10.

Six teams from the Central League (only six have swim teams) participated in the annual meet, which pits individuals against each other to acquire team points.

The meet was run the same way as any league meet, except that there were several heats in each event, and points and ribbons were awarded to finishers in the first six places in each event.

The Tigers started off by placing 4th in the medley relay. Kurt [Schwoebel] followed with a 6th place in the 200 yd. freestyle. Charlie Kennedy picked up 4 points by placing 3rd in the individual medley. Steve Packer and Schwoebel finished 6th in the 100 yd and 400 yd freestyle events respectively. Kevin May placed 5th in the 100 yd backstroke, which was followed by the 2nd-5th place combination of Dave Myles and Bruce Gordon in the 100 yd. breaststroke. The 400 yd. free relay placed 3rd.

The high point of Marple's performance in the meet was Scott Bonney's victory in the meet's shortest event. Bonney took first place in the 50 yd. freestyle. Kurt Hoffman and Bill Wilson placed 4th and 6th in the diving competition, which was held earlier that morning.

Radnor racked up enough points to defend its swimming crown successfully. The Red Raiders were champs in 1971 and 1972 also. The final standings for 1973 see Radnor in first place followed by Haverford. Conestoga, Upper Darby, Marple Newtown, and Lower Merion in that order.

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